

EXTRA LABOR'S STRUGGLE.

No Signs of Settlement on the Reading Road.

Bricklayers Transact Important Business in Boston.

Building Trades in New York, Brooklyn and Hudson County Interested - Delegate Barry Views - Fall River Splinters May Get an Advance - North Adams Lancers Go Out on Strike - About 325 Employees Out of Work - Affairs of Workmen.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.-Vice-President McLeod, of the Reading Company, returned to the city this morning from Reading. He stated that his visit there was merely to look after the interests of the Reading; that he found everything working satisfactorily except the coal traffic, and that there is no change to-day from yesterday; in fact there is a dearth of strike news, and everything seems to be waiting on the visit which will be paid President Corbin to-morrow morning by the committee from the City Councils and Board of Trade from Reading.

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THE VISTA OF J. G. B'S.
Will the Presidential Lightning Ever Strike the Line?

general disposition to meet the request of the splinters and a committee of three was appointed to meet a similar committee of the splinter.

Who answered by the Evening World correspondent after the meeting a prominent manufacturer said that in all probability an advance would be granted, thereby avoiding a long threatened strike.

North Adams Lancers' Strike.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., Jan. 13.-The lancers in Sampson's shoe shop here have been ordered out by the lancers' Protective Union. The firm refused to accept the lancers' price list. There are 325 employees out of work.

Affairs of Workmen.

The Gas-Fitters' Union elected officers for its biennial fund last night at Stuyvesant hall.

Waters' Union No. 1 met at Central Labor Union hall last night and resolved to push the boycott against nails and Milwaukee beer.

Mr. McGinley and Henry George will speak at the Academy of Music to-morrow on the occasion of Miss Agatha Munier's benefit.

Cards are out for a complimentary benefit to Everett Gleason, ex-President of Typographical Union No. 6, at Arlington Hall in Feb. 4.

The silk weavers' local assembly, one of the largest in the city, comprising a membership of more than seven hundred men and women, has withdrawn from the Knights of Labor.

Every poor working girl who can possibly attend the meeting in Clarendon Hall to-night should do so, and hear what labor reformers have to say about work and wages and the benefits of organization.

The Kendall Phillips Association, an organization of workmen, meets regularly every week at Columbia street for the purpose of holding debates on current questions. The next subject to be discussed is "Should Emigration be Restricted?" W. Grossman, William Schneider and Fred Philips will take part in the discussion.

Thirty-five organizations of "longshoremen," at various ocean and lake and river ports, have notified the local union of bricklayers and masons of New York and vicinity for action.

The Secretary submitted a supplemental report on the proceedings of his office since the publication of the presented report, Dec. 15, up to the present. This was referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports for action.

Mathew Barr, the chairman of the visiting delegation of the building trades' representatives from New York City, said yesterday afternoon:

"I am very pleased with the reception given by the convention to us. We are given an opportunity to lay our case before the sub-committee which the convention appointed to consider our proposition. The sub-committee adopted all our requests and reported favorably on our requests to the convention."

The convention approved the report, but being pressed for time, could not give the subject of the water supply the importance demanded. It voted to refer the matter, bearing the approval of the convention, as shown by its action on the report of its committee, to the local union of bricklayers and masons of New York and vicinity, with the recommendations that they should work in harmony with the building trades organizations of that section.

Immediately on our return the delegation will issue a call for a meeting of representatives from the different building trades' organizations, and the action of the convention will be laid before them. We leave to-night on the 6 o'clock boat train for New York."

ON THE VERGE OF A BIG STRIKE.

Here Cigar-Makers Ready to Go Out Unless Their Demands are Granted.

The International Union cigar-makers claim to-day that they scored another victory against a reduction of wages.

A member of the Strike Committee said that S. Condit yielded to a demand for a restoration of the old scale of prices after a conference with the committee, and that the thirty-five hands employed in Mr. Condit's factory at Tenth street and Avenue D continued at work.

Notice of a reduction of \$1 a thousand had been posted in the factory whereupon the men applied to the International Union for leave to strike. It was granted.

As the Strike Committee had settled the matter the men did not go out.

The fifty hands employed by Kimball & Cronin, in Warren street, are practically locked out. Notice was given some time ago of a reduction of prices from 50 cents to \$1.50 per 1,000. An application to strike was made, which the International Union granted. A settlement may be made soon, so that the old hands may return to work, but the union does not intend to yield in this case to any of the others where reductions have been ordered.

No further orders to strike were received today from President Strasser, but they are hourly expected, and when they come it is likely that 1,000 or more hands will quit work unless the firms concerned withdraw their notices of a decrease in prices. The union men are confident of success in all the factories affected.

Spillers May Get an Advance.

FALL RIVER, Jan. 13.-Representatives of all the mills met at the Board of Trade rooms this morning to act upon the request of the splinters for a committee of conference. There seemed to be a

TRAGEDY IN COURT.

Dutch Fred, the Burglar, Attempts Suicide.

He Cuts His Throat While in the Prisoners' Pen.

He Draws a Razor Across His Neck in General Sessions in the Presence of Fifteen Fellow-Prisoners—His Wife and Children Near Him at the Time—He was Just About to be Arraigned for Sentence.

A moment after Recorder Smyth took his seat on the bench in Part III. of General Sessions this morning the sound of a heavy fall was heard in the neighborhood of the prisoners' pen in the rear of the court-room.

Cries of "Bring a doctor!" were next heard, and Officer Dolan came out of the pen with a blanched face, saying: "A man has cut his throat. Send for an ambulance."

It turned out that a notorious burglar, highwayman and pickpocket named George Harrison, alias Fred Bennett, alias Frank Belmont, alias Dutch Fred, had taken a razor from his pocket and deliberately cut his throat from ear to ear in the presence of some fifteen or twenty of his fellow-prisoners.

A colored man named George Burton saw Harrison take out the razor and tried to stay his hand, but Harrison was too quick, and his life-blood spurted all over Burton's face.

The would-be suicide's wife and two children were in the court-room, and when the tidings reached them their cries of grief added to the confusion. An ambulance came promptly, however, and took the intended suicide to the Chambers Street Hospital, the woman and her children following.

Harrison, or Dutch Fred, is well known to the police of this and other cities. He has served two terms in the penitentiary and one in Sing Sing, and two years ago made a noted escape from the Long Island City Jail. His picture is No. 81 in the Rogues' Gallery.

His crime was a burglarious assault upon Edward Kling, a saloon-keeper at 212 Broome street on Dec. 14, 1886.

Harrison, in company with a crook named Edward Kling, and another, he was charged in the afternoon until 9 o'clock in the morning, when Kling was on his way to his bedroom with the cash taken over the counter during the day.

The fell upon Kling in the hallway, when Harrison knocked him down and the others ran away with the money.

Riley was arrested two blocks away by Officer Koller, and was recently convicted and sentenced to fifteen years in State prison.

If Harrison had been arraigned to-day he would probably have got twenty years, though his wife and children are now free.

Mr. Livingston also claims that Lenman and not Harrison was the man actually identified by Kling as his assailant.

Harrison lived with his wife and family at 192 Second street.

The doctors at the hospital say he may recover.

Harrison had been confined in the Tombs for the past three weeks, and his cell and person were searched last Monday. It is supposed he got the razor from some one in the court-room.

INSPECTOR BYRNES' LOST SECRET.

Blaming Mr. Abbey for Disclosing the Supposed Mexican Swindler's Arrest.

If Inspector Byrnes has Charles Bourton in custody on a charge of swindling the Mexicans out of \$20,000 by representing himself as Abbey's agent for the Patti concert he will not admit it.

"I have nothing to say on the subject one way or another," he remarked to an Evening World reporter to-day. "Two men representing Henry E. Abbey called upon me last night concerning the fellow who falsely represented himself to be a brother of Marcus Mayer, and I told them that I would keep my mouth shut and advised secrecy for the present. I said nothing about the case and it looks as though Mr. Abbey had told some reporters about it."

If Bourton is a prisoner he will not have to be taken to court; he was asked, "Well, that depends," returned the Inspector. "He may have been there and remanded, and it may not be necessary to take him there."

Mr. Mart, Henry E. Abbey's associate, called at Police Headquarters this morning and fully identified Bourton as the swindler.

MRS. BURRILL'S HOTEL BILL.

A Judgment Against Her for the Board of Her Son, Valet, Maid and Pug Dog.

Octavious B. Libbey, proprietor of the Brevoort House, recovered judgment for \$2,479 against Mrs. Frederick Foster Burrill for board at the hotel in 1886, to-day in the Supreme Court.

Mrs. Burrill, who is a New Yorker, had been living in England for some time prior to her arrival at the hotel, accompanied by her son, valet, her maid and a pug dog.

She paid promptly at first, and the cashier received from her \$3,500 for nine months. Then her money gave out.

No one appearing for Mrs. Burrill to-day judgment was taken against her by default.

Gen. Terry's Eyes on Florida.

Major-General A. H. Terry, U. S. A., though still confined to his comfortable quarters at the Grand Hotel, is much improved in health. The General has not been seriously ill, but being threatened with rheumatism got, he took his doctor's advice and has kept indoors for some little time. He will have to leave for St. Augustine, Fla., early next week.

Here is a Westchester County Rumor.

It is rumored in Westchester County that ex-State Senator Henry C. Nelson, of Sing Sing, has been promised the appointment of Agent and Warden of the Sing Sing Prison in consideration of his withdrawal from Senatorial contest at the late election in favor of his Democratic friend, William H. Robertson, who was defeated by ex-Collector W. H. Robertson.

Triplets, All Boys, Born to Mary Petersen.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 13.-Mary Petersen, a young Swede domestic, has given birth to triplets. They are all boys, weighing five pounds each, as like as three copper cents and all doing well.

Every scholar in the public schools, and every parent of a scholar, will be interested in the Roll of Honor to be published in to-morrow's Evening World.

DAN DRISCOLL'S LAST CHANCE.

A Crowd in Court Started by a Report that He Had Killed Himself.

The great crowd of people who had gathered in Part III. of the Court of General Sessions, to listen to the argument for a new trial for Dan Driscoll, was startled shortly after 11 o'clock this morning, by a rumor that the Whyo murderer had been able to procure a razor and had cut his throat in the prisoners' box. It was soon learned that the would-be suicide was a highwayman awaiting sentence, while the slayer of Beezie Garrity was safely locked in his cell at the Tombs and the disturbance abated.

The long daily calendar of the court was gone through, and, at 12 o'clock when Counselor Howe began the last plea which could be made in an earthly court for Driscoll.

Mr. Howe commenced deliberately to state the object of his motion, and said:

"In making this motion before Your Honor a long presentation of facts will be unnecessary as you presided at the trial and will recall all of the facts of the case. So remembering you will agree that the case went to the jury on the evidence of Carrie Wilson and McCarthy."

"You will also remember that we charged McCarthy with the murder, and that the dying woman stated that McCarthy fired the shot which killed her. It is true she afterwards recanted and Driscoll did the shooting."

"Carrie Wilson stated that she was at the house 163 Hester street at 3.45 o'clock on the morning of the shooting and that she saw Driscoll shoot at McCarthy and kill the Garrity woman."

Mr. Howe then went on to show the improbability of the Wilson girl's testimony when she said she left the scene quietly, and several policemen and talked with a woman at her home in Christie street and yet said nothing about a murder till she told the story that night to Police Captain Bleeker."

"Carrie Wilson had admitted in the Tombs and at other places that she did not see the shooting, and was herself charged with and arrested for the murder."

With Carrie Wilson's testimony eliminated from the case, he contended, no jury would convict Driscoll on the evidence of McCarthy alone, who was himself charged with and arrested for the murder."

He read the affidavit, the first being by himself, reciting the history of the case.

The second, by Driscoll, was an affidavit of his own guilt, and the Wilson girl that she had sworn falsely against him."

Mrs. Driscoll's affidavit was to the effect that a certain Nellie Crealey, of 222 1/2 Harrison street, New York, had told her, last November that Carrie Wilson wanted to see her, that she (Mrs. Driscoll) went to Carrie's house on Nov. 14, and saw her there, and that she was promised \$150 by McCarthy's friend, Ryan, to testify as she did, but had not got the money."

"I don't know whether it is corroborative of that of Mrs. Driscoll."

Ex-Keeper Patrick Foster, of the Tombs, corroborated both Driscoll and his wife.

Lewy Howe concluded his argument with the remark that the affidavit of Margaret Gubbins, to the effect that on the morning of the murder Carrie Wilson was at her house, 42 Oliver street, until 9 o'clock.

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TOM PLATT BEATEN.

His Residence Was Not in the City of New York.

Gov. Hill Sustained by the Jury's Verdict.

Not Eligible to the Office of Quarantine Commissioner.

The Boss Will Take the Case to the Court of Appeals.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

ALBANY, Jan. 13.-Judge Mayham's court-room was jammed this morning in anticipation of a verdict in the Platt case.

The jury, which had been locked up all night, filed into the Supreme Court Chamber about 10 o'clock. Each member of it looked as if he had enjoyed very little sleep.

A hush pervaded the crowd of spectators as the court, in response to an inquiry as to whether a verdict had been agreed upon, was handed a large envelope. The clerk read its contents.

It declared that it was the unanimous decision of the jurors that at the time Mr. Platt was appointed Quarantine Commissioner, Jan. 8, 1886, he had no legal residence and domicile in the Metropolitan Police District; therefore he was not only ineligible to the office, but had held it illegally for eight years.

Mr. Monk, realizing that this meant nothing more nor less than that Platt was no longer a member of the Board of Quarantine Commissioners, immediately moved for a new trial.

The Court denied the motion.

The case will now be taken to the Court of Appeals.

Platt was not in Court at the time the jury rendered its decision.